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Bellaire	8 02 "	10 33 "	9 42 "	9 50 "
Cambridge	9 39 "	12 24am	11 23 "	6 20 "
Zanesville	10 15 "	1 15 "	12 43pm	12 23pm
Newark	10 00 "	2 10 "	1 49 "	12 45am
Ar. Columbus	11 55 "	*2 10 "	2 49 "	3 10pm
Cincinnati	†	7 30 "	6 50 "	†8 50 "
Louisville		12 35pm	6 20am	12 35 "
St. Louis		6 40 "	7 45 "	
Mt. Vernon	11 45pm	4 27am	2 38pm	†9 04am
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Never oil a harness when dry.

Never hang it in the sun to dry or for the oil to strike in.

Some leisure day in spring, fall or winter take the harness into the cellar or some damp place; take all apart, and soak thoroughly in warm water. Then wash off all dirt and gum, and when nearly dry on outside put on with swab or brush a heavy coat of oil, either best tanner's oil or best neat's-foot oil, with just enough lamp black to color it well. Lay it all in a pile in the shade till the oil soaks in. If very dry and hard it will pay to put on a second coat. When well soaked in take castile soapsuds and a coarse rag and wash it well. This closes the pores, gives it a gloss and prevents cracking. If this is properly done twice a year the harness will keep nice as new and add one-half to the durability.

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